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SUBJECT: SUGAR CANE SMUT COULD COST JAMAICA \$8 MILLION

REFERENCE: KINGSTON 5255

REFTEL REPORTED DISCOVERY OF SUGAR SMUT ON TWO JAMAICAN SUGAR ESTATES. SMUT DISEASE HAS NOW BEEN DISCOVERED ON FOUR OTHER SUGAR ESTATES. RAPID SPREAD OF THE DISEASE COULD COST ISLAND SUGAR INDUSTRY OVER \$8 MILLION BETWEEN 1978 AND 1981 ACCORDING TO SUGAR INDUSTRY RESEARCH INSTITUTE FIELD DIRECTOR MICHAEL SHAW. NO LOSSES ARE FORESEEN FOR NEXT YEAR, BUT SHAW PREDICTED 4,500 TONS OF SUGAR WOULD BE LOST IN 1978, 10,000 TONS IN 1979, 9,000 TONS IN 1980 AND 3,500 TONS IN 1981. (1975 SUGAR PRODUCTION WAS 355,000 TONS.)

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